

mayor of the City of Cibolo, in honor of his exemplary leadership in the growth of the city during his tenure.

Johnny Sutton served for two years as Mayor of the City of Cibolo starting in 2005. During his tenure, Mr. Sutton established the Cibolo Economic Development Corporation, the Capital Improvement Plan Citizens' Oversight Committee, and the Community Development Department. He also helped instill several civic programs to increase pedestrian and driver safety at schools. Mr. Sutton increased levels of police protection, ended the four-year cycle of deficit budgets, and secured over 14 million dollars in capital improvement with no tax increase.

Under Mayor Sutton's leadership, Cibolo constructed new draining projects, reconstructed streets, and purchased agricultural facilities for conversion to public recreational use. During his tenure, the city saw its population expand by over 50 percent and developed resources through partnerships with Canyon Regional Water Authority and the Regional Water Alliance. Mr. Sutton brought his prior experience as Councilman in the City of Cibolo to his role as Mayor.

Mr. Johnny Sutton truly led by example and it is to his credit that the City of Cibolo has seen an improvement in its business capital, and a renewal of infrastructure projects. The city is a better place because of him.

Madam Speaker, I am honored to have this time to recognize former Mayor Johnny L. Sutton, and I thank you for this time.

TRIBUTE TO BOURNS, INC. ON ITS 60TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 12, 2007

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to an organization whose contributions to the community of Riverside, California are exceptional. Riverside has been fortunate to have dynamic and outstanding businesses that enrich the lives of their employees, produce quality products and help make Riverside a wonderful place to live and work. On Saturday, July 14, 2007 Bourns, Incorporated will celebrate its 60th Anniversary.

Bourns, Inc. was founded by Marlan and Rosemary Bourns—two exceptional individuals who are also celebrating sixty years of marriage—six decades ago. They started out in a 384 square foot space in Altadena, California. The goal of the company was to provide a method of accurately determining an aircraft's pitch attitude which would solve a crucial problem for pilots. The success in providing this method catapulted them onto the world stage—they became a global corporation and manufacture a range of products that impact almost every aspect of today's electronics industry.

Bourns, Inc. moved their headquarters to Riverside, California located in my congressional district and have nine other locations around the world. Throughout the years, Bourns has prided itself on quality, value and innovation. Their product line now includes precision potentiometers, panel controls, encoders, resistor/capacitor networks, chip re-

sistors/arrays, inductors, transformers, resettable fuses, thyristor-based overvoltage protectors, line feed resistors, gas discharge tubes, telephone station protectors, 5-pin protectors, industrial signal, irrigation and petroleum protectors, CATV coax protectors, signal data protectors, indoor and outdoor POTsplitters, network interface devices, and integrated circuits.

Bourns, Inc. is a multiple recipient of the Supplier Excellence Award, Top Supplier Award, Outstanding Performance Award, Preferred Supplier award, among others. They serve a wide-range of industries including Automotive Electronics, Test and Measurement, Medical Electronics, Consumer Equipment, Telecommunications, and Portable Electronics. Bourns, Inc. continues to grow, innovate and lead.

It is my pleasure to recognize Bourns, Inc. and its world-class employees for sixty years of exceptional service as well as thank them for their contributions to the community of Riverside, California. Bourns, Inc. not only provides quality products to their customers but also provides a positive place to work. I know that many community leaders are grateful for Bourns, Inc. and salute them on their 60th Anniversary.

IN RECOGNITION OF SPRINGS RESCUE MISSION

HON. DOUG LAMBORN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 12, 2007

Mr. LAMBORN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the invaluable contributions made by Springs Rescue Mission to the Colorado Springs community. Over the past eleven years, through its tireless dedication to the teachings of Christ, Springs Rescue Mission has served more than one million meals, provided countless household goods, offered instruction, and ministered to the less fortunate.

A member of the Association of Gospel Rescue Missions, the largest provider of free meals and shelter in the world, Springs Rescue Mission is funded entirely by the contributions of private citizens, corporations, and churches. It is through this generosity that the Mission is able to hold its annual "Great Thanksgiving Banquet" and Christmas dinner, boast the second largest food bank in Colorado Springs, and, through its Samaritans Kitchen feed the hungry with over 2,500 meals per week. In addition to providing food, clothing, and furniture, the Mission also offers career development and an opportunity for self-sufficiency.

On July 20th, the Mission will open the doors of its newly renovated Resource Center which will provide no-cost emergency services to men, women, and children who lack the basic necessities of life. In addition to this center, the Mission also has an upcoming project to house as many as fifty men facing homelessness or substance abuse. Springs Rescue Mission welcomes those for whom hope seems lost—knowing that "joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance." (Luke 15:7). Through instructing participants about the love of God and the power of prayer, these programs provide the tools necessary for rebuilding lives.

Today, I offer my sincere congratulations to the Springs Rescue Mission on this newest achievement. I am grateful for all that the organization has done for my constituents in Colorado Springs, and am pleased to see this wonderful institution growing and expanding to meet the needs of our community.

LIAM SWAN'S "ODE TO THE FALLEN SOLDIERS OF IRAQ"

HON. DUNCAN HUNTER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 12, 2007

Mr. HUNTER. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to honor Liam Swan, a constituent of mine who is currently a student at Oliver Pierce Middle School in Ramona, CA. One of our local hometown papers in San Diego County, the Ramona Home Journal, recently printed a poem written by Liam that memorializes and pays tribute to the servicemen and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice fighting to preserve freedom in Iraq. His poem, titled "Ode to the Fallen Soldiers of Iraq," follows:

To all you brave soldiers who have fallen in Iraq,

Who left the comforting embrace of Family, friends, and home

To fight and protect the freedom of others
In a faraway dry, dusty and desolate land,
We Americans honor and salute you.

Like dry leaves we must crumble and toss
Our differences aside.

Where you are
Hawk or Dove,
Democrat or Republican,
Liberal or Conservative,
We must first be Americans

Who honor the fallen heroes that fought for us.

For you bravely laid down your lives,
Spilling your blood and dreams

In a foreign land,

For a foreign people

For an American Cause,

Know that you will be greatly missed,

Know that you will always be remembered

For your sacrifice,

For your courage and convictions.

Your bright and promising light

Extinguished too soon,

We celebrate and honor your memory

You fallen soldiers of Iraq.

As ranking Republican on the House Armed Services Committee, I share Liam's strong support, appreciation and respect for our servicemen and women. I am particularly pleased each time I learn about Americans, like Liam, who are willing to use their creative talents to ensure the memory of those who have voluntarily left the comfort of their homes to defend and protect the interests of the American people, are never forgotten.

Madam Speaker, Liam's words reflect our Nation's overwhelming gratitude to the millions of uniformed military men and women that have answered the call to duty with unquestioned courage and commitment. I wish Liam continued success in his academic efforts and it is with absolute pride that I rise today to share his inspiring and patriotic tribute with my colleagues.